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## CASE OF THE RUSSIAN JEWS.

It may be set down as a fair prediction that Russia will persecute its Jews so long as the United States is open to them. To force their immigration hither is Russia's object. She does not like the Jew, partly on religious grounds, partly because the Russian, in dealing with him, usually gets the worst of the bargain. Among the Muscovite fanatics, comprising the lower order of communicants of the Greek church, the belief prevails that the Jews kill Christian children and drink their blood on the Day of Atonement; and so when that day comes, mobs attack the Jews wherever found and the Government, though amply able to protect them, holds aloof. Nor will it permit them to defend themselves, as the following cablegram will show:

ST. PETERSBURG, May 17.—A Ministerial circular forbidding the Jews to defend themselves has been issued. It is expected that this step will stimulate Jewish emigration to America.

It seems to be an alternative of dying at the hands of the mob or leaving the country; and as many as possible are taking passage to the United States and in the end the majority of the survivors are likely to come here. As to the wisdom of letting them in there are varying opinions. The Russian Jew is not an attractive person, nor is anyone else who has been born to public hatred and has suffered, all his life, the miseries of the outcast. The question is, whether it is the duty of the American people to let submerged classes into the country where they might, in trying to rise, pull better men down towards their level. Is America still a reformatory asylum or is it a land where the people already in it have first consideration?

Should the United States choose to checkmate Russia's scheme to unload her Jews on American shores, there is an easy way, for Russia cannot object to the adoption of a law by this country, closing its ports to Russian Jews, identical with the law of Russia closing her frontiers to American Jews. Under this head the following official circular is instructive:

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Washington, .....

The laws of Russia exclude from Russian territory, except by special permission, all people of the Jewish faith, and while this Government has been endeavoring for some years past to secure a relaxation of these enactments, it is only proper to warn those who are within the category to which they refer that it has not yet been able to secure from the Russian Government a promise of uniform treatment for all American travelers in Russia, without regard to their religious faith or place of birth.

The House has cut down the salary of the Attorney-General, a white man, and eliminated that of the Assistant Superintendent of Public Works, also a white man. At the same time it has left the salary of the Treasurer, a Hawaiian, at the old figure. This policy—the drawing of the color line—has been steadily pursued by the House and if it is continued indefinitely it can have no other result than to consolidate white men in island politics and put the natives out of the running. So long as white men do not draw the color line it is folly for the native to do it, as such a course is bound to react upon them if they persist.

The Sargent report on Hawaii will be one of a long series. There have been enough reports on Hawaii to fill a small library, at least one other, Fitzgerald's, dealing especially with the labor question. Probably there have been several more on the labor issue but life is too short to keep track of them. No matter how complete and truthful a report of this sort may be, Congress pays little attention to it but legislates at its own sweet will, influenced more by the politics and prejudices of the moment than by the merits of the case.

Washington may affect to believe that Russia will withdraw from Manchuria, but its State Department must know that the signs point the other way. Just now, among other proofs of permanent occupancy, is the building of a large town, Harbin, in Central Manchuria and the introduction, all through that vast province, of Russian farmers. Seaports are being continuously fortified. Assuredly Russia is not doing all this for China.

Harper's Weekly states that Mukden is the open port in Manchuria for which the United States is contending. As Mukden is an inland town, some 200 miles from navigation, Harper's is entitled to another guess.

Judging from the Manila reports Mr. Fortune will not be able, when he returns to Washington, to slip into the Booker Washington seat at the White House table.

Queen Emma Hall would be safer if it was locked up. The same might be said of its visitors.

## CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

Chambers of Commerce resemble each other only in name. There are Chambers of Commerce which are merely solemn conclaves of large-waisted capitalists who meet when their own interests are imperilled and pass resolutions; and there are other Chambers of Commerce which are filled with shrewd, public spirited and progressive men who get together when there is a chance to do something for the community and who go ahead and do it. Until lately the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce was a Rip Van Winkle organization which woke up once in so many years to look about in a dazed way and hear the dogs bark at it; and possibly, despite the roaring it had from the Chronicle it is the same somnolent body yet. Its last remembered arousal coincided with that of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, when congratulatory cable messages passed between them—though there are flippant persons who deny that any real awakening occurred and lay the whole thing to somnambulism.

We are called to this subject by the receipt from the San Diego Chamber of Commerce of a leaflet, under date of May 15, which shows what value to a city such a civic body may become if it is in the right hands. The membership of the San Diego Chamber is 400, or two per cent of the population. A handsome headquarters, filled with exhibits of the county's products is kept up. Says the leaflet: "Illustrated literature is prominently displayed and some one can always be found in the office to answer inquiries—everything possible being done to attract and please the large number of people who daily throng the rooms." During four months ending May 15, 20,000 visitors saw the display and about 25,000 pieces of literature were handed out. Nearly as many more were mailed. One thousand letters, an average of 250 per month or over eight a day, were received and answered. For three months in the year a special tourist agent is supported at Los Angeles and an exhibit maintained. Here is a paragraph of the leaflet which is given entire:

Close touch has been kept with the management of the different railways interested in western passenger traffic, and valuable assistance has been obtained from them in advertising our beautiful city. Special letters have also been written and furnished eastern papers, and several very desirable writeups have been secured in prominent magazines. The result of this thorough and effective work is evidenced by the large number of tourists who spend the winter months with us, and there is every reason to believe that the ratio of increase will steadily grow greater and greater, for in the opinion of experienced observers the influx has but just commenced. The people throughout less favored portions of our great and prosperous country are just beginning to realize that the gates of an earthly paradise are open to them, and it is safe to say that the prediction of Collis P. Huntington that Southern California is destined to become the most thickly inhabited portion of the civilized world, is being rapidly fulfilled. In all this favored region no spot is more attractive than our own magnificent county, within whose immense area homes may be found for many times the present population, a thousand homes where one exists to day.

The San Diego Chamber has hundreds of watchful eyes and misses no chance to help the general interests of the city. Legislation, State and National is watched, especially to the end that the port shall be improved. The Chamber ascertained, at large expense, the character of the formation of the Bar at the entrance of the harbor and then brought enough pressure to bear on Congress to get appropriations for dredging and building a jetty. Contracts have been let to give the bar a depth of thirty feet at low water. By hard work the Chamber got the Government to set aside 400 acres for a military reservation and build a fort on it.

As showing how active the Chamber of Commerce is and how wide is the range of its effort, the following extract from the leaflet will be of interest:

The Board of Directors hold meetings regularly at 4 p. m. Friday of each week, beside special meetings from time to time, members of the organization being always welcome. Each director is also chairman of some committee, and scarcely a day goes by without its committee meeting, your Board of Directors giving of their time freely and willingly. For instance, the work of the committee appointed to secure a Biological School on San Diego Bay may be cited. The members of the committee have held two or three meetings weekly, have driven long distances into the country, finally securing a fund sufficient to warrant Professor Ritter of the State University, transferring his plant from San Pedro to San Diego, and assuring us a thorough and careful study by experienced observers of the marine life to be found in San Diego bay, and in the ocean just off shore, which we have reason to believe will result in the permanent establishment of a great Biological Station on our bay, one that will attract students and scientists from all over the world, and this is the result of the efforts of but one of the many committees constantly working for the advancement of San Diego's interests.

Now there is a Chamber of Commerce worth while. It is awake, up-to-date, progressive, public-spirited, watchful and constructive—the kind of a Chamber of Commerce that pays. And through its efforts, despite the fact that San Diego is arid and not to be compared either in climate or scenery with the Paradise of the Pacific the place is drawing thousands of tourists and hundred of settlers annually.

"The moral of all this," as Cap'n Cuttle was wont to remark, "lies in the application of it."

If the Governor can find a legal way of shutting off the printing ring job, represented by the \$7000 House bill which the Senate so reluctantly allowed, the taxpayers will be duly pleased. To pay \$2.10 for printing which can be done elsewhere for \$1.35, is sheer extravagance, to call it by no harsher name. The determination of the worst element in the House to push the thing through may be all right here, but in Minneapolis or St. Louis or any other boodler center it would suggest rebates to the voting members. At any rate there is a distinct loss threatened to the taxpayers from which, it is to be hoped, the Governor will be able to safeguard them.

It is doubtful that the Czar has heard all about the massacre of the Jews at Kitcheneff. He gets no uncensored newspapers to read and his official reports say much or little according to the wishes of the men behind the throne. Of many things that happen in his Empire the Czar knows less than do American newspaper readers.

T. Thomas Fortune is not the first visiting statesman at Manila who has got curled up in trying to swim the Jag-Jag river.

The finding of a satchel of dynamite at a point where the President was scheduled to leave his train, shows either carelessness, a "plant" of the secret service men or a plot against the President's life. There are not enough particulars to enable one to form a clear opinion, but anarchists who mean business do not generally leave satchels of dynamite around waiting for a President to stumble over them.

Word comes from Panama that "powerful influences" will be needed to secure the passage of the canal treaty. How much?

## A Shakespearean Relic.

An interesting Shakespearean relic recently sold at Sotheby's was the armchair made from the wood of the mulberry tree planted by Shakespeare in New Palace garden, Stratford-on-Avon. The pedigree of the chair is unquestionably authentic since its history can be traced right from the time of the famous tree being cut down to the present day. It formerly occupied an honored place in the Stratford Arms, Stratford. When the proprietor died, in 1845, it passed into the possession of his daughter, then to that of his daughter's niece, by whom it was for some time exhibited in Sheffield Public museum, Weston park. At the sale at Sotheby's this unique relic was sold for £150.

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